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EDITORIAL

July 9,1983 - I have reliably produced a club newsletter going on the second year. There have been some difficulties recently in producing and distributing 'The Seed' and I thought the members are entitled to an explanation.

As those of you who attended the June General Meeting are aware the JUNE SEED was prepared for the meeting but could not be distributed because the current membership list had not been given to me. After the Officers Meeting (one week later) I had contacted our newly elected Secretarys, Mr. Dave Nelson, 'The dynamic duo', and requested the updated disk which contains the names of our members so that I might prepare the labels to distribute 'The Seed'. He refused to do it although I had enjoyed such cooperation from our last group of officers he would not give me the membership disk listing. His position was that it was "his" list (I thought it was Apple Pi's list...) and would give me no explanation as to why he would not give me the membership disk. I later heard from other sources that Mr. Nelson had expressed concerns that I would "sell" the list... That's a real serious concern, there are over 15,000 Apple Users in Colorado and nearly 1,000,000 total Apple Users. Our Club has less than 400 Apple Users. Moreover marketing statistics have consistantly shown only 8 % of the people open 'junk mail' and only 2 % respond. I'm not too sure how much money could be made from such a scurrilous act.

It did, however, provide some insight into Mr. Nelson's entrepreneural spirit and thinking processes. I told Mr. Nelson that producing The Seed had required upwards of 30-40 hrs. each month with no compensation and his lack of cooperation was the straw inflicting damage to the proverbial camel/editor's back.

At this point, I think it's important to clarify the issues as I see them. The main issue is that I see the Apple Pi Club as a group of Apple computer enthusiasts whose main purpose is to share - ideas, experiences, resources, etc. A few members take a different point of view. I believe rather than have the membership list being the exclusive 'property' of the secretary, it should be distributed to the membership at large, respecting individual members wishes for personal privacy. Several others with whom I have shared this view have agreed. What are your opinions? Write us.

Another issue is that I believe strongly that when a person is given a job, he should be allowed the freedom to accomplish the job without undue interference. Those of us who have had supervisors who not only assign us a job but insist on directing every detail on HOW we accomplish the job, have learned how de-motivating this can be. My job description (See April 1983. The Seed) includes gathering material for the newsletter including professional exchanges with other editors, production and distribution of The Seed. The Secretarys have interfered with the gathering of materials and distribution of the newsletter. The membership elected me, unanimously, to a second term as Editor, I believe, because they wanted a quality newsletter and felt that the previous year I had done a satisfactory job. They did not expect me to dance to the tune of 'The Clique' of newly elected officers. Am I wrong? Let them do their jobs and I'll do mine. If this is out of sync with the memberships wishes, let us know!

Eisler called me once. He began by talking down to me. The old 'you have done a good job and now its time for a rest' gambit was as obvious as a buffalo chip in a bowl of soup. I told 'Mr.Diplomat' the only thing standing between the club and their newsletter was the Membership Disk that Nelson was hoarding. Eventually (possibly because Eisler could not find anyone adventurous enough to dance to the tune, I received the necessary Disk by mail. Within one week, I attached the labels, stamped the postage, and mailed the June Newsletter.....In July. I must confess, the hassles with 'The Clique' have dampened my enthusiam for doing the Apple Pi Newsletter..

July 24, 1983 - I received notice of a 'Special Meeting of the Board of Directors, in accordance with Article V, Section 4 and 5 of the Bylaws' at B. Hein's house. The purpose of the meeting was stated 'to consider editorial proceedures, timeliness in publication, costs and proposed changes in editorial policies for the Seed.'!

Unfortunately 'The Clique' scheduled the meeting in conflict with a committment I had and I was unable to attend. Just as well! as the deck was stacked and the outcome already decided. 'The Clique' or 'Committee' had written their own 'SEED' with the duly elected and unanimously elected editor's name conspicuously missing from the cover! The 'editorial proceedures' were their 'tune' that I did not dance well to. 'The Clique', I learned recently, want to give quantities of the time-consuming and costly Seed to Dealers. The previous Board voted against this and I believe the membership should approve such a costly and unnec cessary action. Regarding the 'Timeliness of Publication' it has been timely for going on two years to the best of the Editor's ability until I ran into a stone wall of non-cooperation It's easy to criticize you see. As to printing costs, they were about $12 per page for 500 copies excluding bindery costs, typesetting, color printing, etc. I personally think a attractive readable newsletter is a good thing....particularly considering we have about $10,000.00 in the treasury and can afford an even better newsletter.

I can't help wondering what's in store for our membership. I understand the SEED has been taken over by 'the Committee'. No doubt the next few issues may be good but what does the future hold in store. A suggestion: request your copy of the bylaws. It may be informative. Also I have been informed that if our bylaws are not in conformance with State Regulations, we could lose our tax exempt status. I heard there may be regulations against a few board members overriding a membership unamimous vote.

This is my last Seed. Thank all you members for the support you have given me over the many months that I produced it. To my critics remember: if you wish to avoid criticism DO NOTHING, SAY NOTHING, BE NOTHING!

PROPOSALS

1.MEMBERSHIP LIST

I suggest we SHARE! Let's improve membership interaction rather than limit it for the Elite few hoarding this information for their own use. I know for a fact, at least a half dozen persons who have copies of the membership list, several of whom are not even officers! Naturally individual members privacy must be respected. If the list included only zip codes and telephone numbers at least we need not concern ourselves with getting on a mailing list.

2. TREASURY

I believe $10,000.00 is too much in our treasury, particularly for only 400 members and in control of so few! I suggest increasing benefits and reducing costs of these benefits.

3.SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Again on the sharing theme, I propose we have certain individuals to coordinate Special Interests. I have talked to a few people who are willing to volunteer their time. I suggest a Data Base/Business Group, Education, Spreadsheet, etc. We have volunteers for some of these. Please call Frank Reeves, 499-2192, if you are interested in participating.

Response to Eisler's Editorial Comments

(Ref: Denver Apple Pi, SEED V5 #8 Aug. 1983)

As the Editor of the Apple Pi Newsletter, elected to a second term unanimously by the membership, I have received many favorable comments from the membeship. To you who have been so thoughtful — Thank You. It makes the time spent (approximately 500 hours contributed so far) seem worthwhile.

There were no problems of any substance with last year's officers. We had fun and got the job done. Our membership grew and our treasury grew (from about $3800, Nov. 1982 to approximately $10,000 in May-June 1983).(At last report End of July the current board has it down to $3473)

For unclear reasons, the new president, new secretary (who I understand was not even a member before the elections) and a few other members of the Clique have printed untrue allegations and have participated in an illegal (according to Colorado Revised Statutes and our By-laws) participation in a movement to remove the Editor from office. For the most part the innuendos, allegations, etc. are anonymous or "imply" total board endorsement (which is incorrect) to justify their illegal act. Some of the false allegations HAVE a source: D. Eisler. In the Aug. 1983 [V5#8] SEED, he aggressively attacked the Editor using this CLUB newsletter resource without providing the Editor a fair and equal opportunity to respond to his false statements.

Falsehood #1 – Eisler: "Up until the July Board meeting, I know everyone tried to comply with the Editor in every way possible..."
Response – The June SEED was at the meeting ready for distribution (as those of you who were there know), it could not be distributed because the secretary would not provide the membership list so we could know who picked up their newsletter. No cooperation was received until nearly one month later when I got the membership disk. The newsletter was sent very shortly thereafter.

Falsehood #2 – Eisler: "For 2 months, there was no SEED."
Response – The June SEED went out approximately 4-6 weeks after the May SEED. The July SEED was scheduled on time, but the Editor was not provided any newsletters from other clubs or an updated membership disk. I notified Eisler that I did not wish to repeat last month's fiasco and to get the secretary's cooperation. After a wishy-washy response, he promised to do so. Instead he craftily contacted a number of members asking them to take over the SEED! That's Eisler's idea of cooperation. Also I learned that Eisler, the secretary ,librarian and possibly others had met secretly to put together their OWN newsletter rather than cooperate with the elected Editor. By preventing the distribution of the newsletter by withholding the membership disk, they could justify their action by saying the Editor screwed up. They also gave signals that the Editor would not be reimbursed for the printing and commercial preparation of the July SEED. Naturally further work could not proceed. The Editor ate the cost of printing 2 pages and for all preliminary artwork and typesetting of the July SEED.

Falsehood #3 – Eisler: "Despite several discussions with the Editor..."
Response – The Editor recalls receiving one call from Eisler. When pressed Eisler "thinks" there may be as many as two. No other officer contacted me to my recollection.

Falsehood #4 – Eisler: "...giving the Editor another chance. When this was presented to the editor, he would not comply."
Response – The only thing the Editor needed was cooperation. No such "chance" was presented.

Response to Anonymous Editorial Comments

(Ref: Denver Apple Pi, SEED V5 #9 Aug. 1983)

1. Responsibility and control of the SEED should rest with the creators and producers of the SEED. The Editor, in turn, is controlled by the membership.

2. Members should receive a SEED by the meeting subject to availability of the free labor of the Editorial staff.

3 This is really dirty pool! The cost of the June SEED included $30 for (3) different inks, $155 for (13) impressions on 550 pages each, $26 for 3-hole punching 550 books, $40 for collating 3300 sheets (pages), $30 for multiple stapling of 550 books, $26 for folding 3300 pages, $118 for typesetting, artwork, paste-up, etc.

The "Clique" says that the Editor doesn't donate enough of his time. He should stay up nights folding 3300 pages, stapling, collating, etc. They say we should save money on the newsletter to by more equipment for the librarian and secretary. They say typesetting and artwork should not be done so our newsletter is not as readable or as attractive. But the PRINTING costs for the June SEED were $155; they say their printing costs were $318- approximately twice as high!

5. The return address of the newsletter should be the source of the newsletter. The club's P.O.Box should be inside for members who wish to send in dues and conduct noneditorial business.

6. Bulk mailing was explored; L. Breyfogle reports the U.S. Postal regulations require 500 total pieces of mail with a minimum of 10 each to each zip.

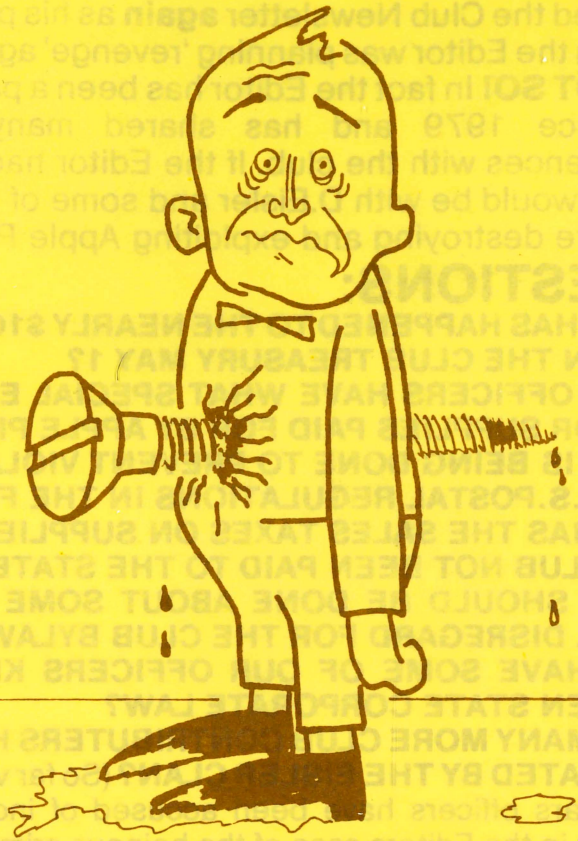
8. The Editor should have the responsibility and authority for all aspects of producing and distributing the SEED.

10. Unneccessary copies of the newletter should not be printed. 10 copies of the SEED should not be distributed to store members each month. It is too expensive and they already get a monthly endorsement. Also Club newletters should not be given out to non-members or why become a member?

PERTINENT BY-LAWS of Apple Pi, Inc.

Article IV:Board of Directors
Section 2. Any director may be removed at any time, with or without cause, by the vote of a majority of the (400-500) voting members...

WORK HARD....
CONTRIBUTE TO THE CLUB



A FEW OFFICERS WILL SEE TO IT YOU GET YOUR REWARD

THE EISLER JAB

D. '(Dastardly)' Eisler has done it again! For the third month in a row he could not restrain himself from abusing the power of his office for a personal vendetta. He used the Club Newsletter **again** as his personal foil stating the Editor was planning 'revenge' against Apple Pi. **NOT SO!** In fact the Editor has been a part of Apple Pi since 1979 and has shared many pleasant experiences with the club. If the Editor had a bone to pick it would be with D.Eisler and some of the 'Clique' who are destroying and exploiting Apple Pi.

QUESTIONS:

WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO THE NEARLY $10,000 THAT WAS IN THE CLUB TREASURY MAY 1?
WHAT OFFICERS HAVE WHAT SPECIAL EQUIPMENT AND/OR SUPPLIES PAID FOR BY APPLE PI?
WHAT IS BEING DONE TO PREVENT VIOLATIONS OF THE U.S.POSTAL REGULATIONS IN THE FUTURE?
WHY HAS THE SALES TAXES ON SUPPLIES SOLD BY THE CLUB NOT BEEN PAID TO THE STATE?
WHAT SHOULD BE DONE ABOUT SOME OFFICERS TOTAL DISREGARD FOR THE CLUB BYLAWS?
WHY HAVE SOME OF OUR OFFICERS KNOWINGLY BROKEN STATE CORPORATE LAW?
HOW MANY MORE CLUB CONTRIBUTERS HAVE BEEN ALIENATED BY THE EISLER CLAN? (So far virtually all of last years officers have been accused of incompetence, theft or in the Editors case of the heinous crime of wanting the Membership List...the right to which is guaranteed by State Corp.Law. We have lost the services of two major contributers to the Library, one of which was a founder of the Club. The Associate Editor resigned, contributing editors L.B. and J.Q. have no longer contributed and for 3 months there has been no significant articles from the membership, but we did get Eisler's Editorials and pretty artwork.)

Perhaps Eisler should lay off his vendetta against the Editor and start correcting rather than contributing to some of the club problems or move aside and let someone else do what needs to be done!